

Amendments to the Specification:

Please amend the paragraph beginning on page 5, line 26 and continuing to page 6, line 11 as follows:

The electronics module 12 receives a signal from the sense electrodes 14 used to monitor at least one physiological condition and processes and analyzes the output. One of ordinary skill in the art will appreciate that a variety of algorithms for analyzing various physiological conditions, and signaling alarm or status conditions, may be utilized in the proposed device. For example, in one exemplary embodiment of the inventive device, certain aspects of the processing portion that may be implemented into the electronics module 12 are described in a commonly-assigned application entitled "Staged Life-Threatening Arrhythmia Detection Algorithm for Minimizing Power Consumption" [Philips Invention Disclosure No. 779978], US 2009/0105602 which is hereby incorporated by reference as if repeated herein in its entirety, including the drawings. FIG 1, therein provides a block diagram of an exemplary embodiment of the processing portion. According to this embodiment, the first stage of the algorithm will detect life-threatening arrhythmias and various levels of predetermined "alarm conditions" may be implemented. For example, a low level alert may be used to indicate the detection of one or more conditions that are related to technical aspects of a heart monitoring device, a medium level alert may be used to indicate that a medical condition has been detected in the patient that may not require immediate medical attention and a high level alert may be used to indicate that a life threatening medical condition has been detected.